



President's Newsletter

November 2018

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Dear Bishop Stang Families and Friends,

We are very excited about our Open House on Sunday, November 4 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm! Maintaining a strong enrollment is essential to offering an outstanding educational experience for our young people! Here are some key facts and figures that demonstrate our school's success:

- ~ 99% College Attendance - 2015-18 ~ 91% of AP exam qualifying scores - 2015-18
- ~ 1167 SAT mean score - Class of 2018 ~ 26 Varsity Sports & 31 Co-Curricular Activities
- ~ \$22 million average earned in scholarships and grants - Classes 2015-18
- ~ 600K Financial Aid & Scholarships - 2018-19
- ~ Graduates attend competitive colleges, universities & military academies!
- ~ Excellent, Experienced & Caring Teachers ~ Blended, Personalized Learning
- ~ Renovated Biology, Chemistry & Physics Labs
- ~ Field Renovation Project Planning Underway

We are also very excited to announce a partnership with Land's End to provide our school uniforms starting in the 2018-19 school year. More information is forthcoming for our families.

Thank you for your help to share the good news about our school community!

God Bless,
Peter Shaughnessy
President/Principal

OPEN HOUSE *November 4th*

Open House for prospective students and their families will be held on Sunday afternoon, November 4th from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Activities include student-guided tours of the school, overview of academic programs, technology integration, religious activities, athletics and co-curricular activities. Prospective students and parents will have an opportunity to speak with current students and representatives from all facets of the school. Come discover why it's great to be a Spartan! [Open House Information](#)

Important November Dates

Delayed Start, Professional Day, Holiday & Thanksgiving Recess

November's delayed start day is Monday, November 5th. There is no school on Tuesday, November 6th, it is a Diocesan Professional Day. In observance of Veteran's Day, there will be no school and the Business Office is also closed, on Monday, November 12th. Wednesday, November 21, is a half-day with dismissal at 11:30 am. There is no school November 22 -25 for Thanksgiving recess. Classes resume Monday, November 26.

Freshmen Parents- Coffee Hour *Saturday, November 17th*

Saturday, November 17th, all Freshmen will be dropped off for the Freshman Retreat between 11:30 and noon. The Advancement Office will hold a "Meet & Greet" coffee hour from 11:30 until 12:30 for PARENTS to have an opportunity to meet other parents. We will have coffee and snacks for you - so please stop in, even if only for a minute!! It will be held in the Main Lobby of the School -- we hope to see you there!

Upcoming Events

Sunday, Nov. 4
Open House 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Monday, Nov. 5
Delayed Start 9:00 am

Monday, Nov. 5
Thanksgiving Food Drive Begins

Tuesday, Nov 6
No School- Diocesan Professional Day

Friday, Nov. 9 - Saturday Nov 10
Fall Drama Performance 7:00 pm

Monday, Nov. 12
Veterans Day - No School

Tuesday, Nov. 13
SPA Meeting 6:30 pm
Auction Committee Meeting 7:15 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 7
After Prom Meeting 6:30 pm

Thursday, Nov. 8
Freshmen Wellness Day

Wednesday, Nov 14
NHS Blood Drive 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Raffle Calendar

Saturday, Nov. 17
Freshman Class Retreat

Tuesday, Nov. 20
Last Late Bus

Wednesday, Nov 21
Thanksgiving Recess Begins
Dismissal at 11:30 am

Wednesday, Nov. 28
Underclassmen Pictures

[Important Links](#)

[Parent Portal](#)

[Bishop Stang Website](#)

[Monthly Calendar](#)

[Athletic Forms/Policies](#)

[National Catholic Educational Association](#)

[Parent Newsletter](#)



The 2019 Spartan Raffle Calendar

Calendar Distribution to Students November 1st

The Raffle Ticket Calendar is back with over \$16,000 in Prize Money!

The students will receive their sales packet on Thursday, November 1st in Homeroom.

Raffle Ticket Calendars are great gifts for family and friends, but also a fun item for anyone that wants to take a chance at winning some cash!

This Raffle Ticket includes more than 70 Drawings to win more than \$16,000 in cash prizes, and includes the photographic Stang Calendar so you can track the Raffle Drawings!

Winners will be notified directly, and their Raffle Ticket will go back into the bin to be eligible to win the next drawing! Each ticket is in every single drawing listed on the Calendar!

Drawings begin on January 1, 2019, and the final drawing will be on June 28, 2019.

The Raffle Tickets are \$25, and are found inside each Raffle Calendar.

To be eligible for the drawings, the Raffle Ticket must be filled out and returned to school with payment!

After Prom Meeting

Going Tropical

Meeting Nov 7th

The Class of 2019 will hold its Senior Prom on Friday, May 17, 2019. Seniors recently selected "Tropical/Luau" as the theme for their After Prom Party. Parents of seniors and all underclassmen are invited to get involved. Join us on Wednesday, November 7th and Wednesday, January 9th at 6:30 pm in the music room for the next meetings.



2019 AUCTION!

Join us for the FIRST Planning Meeting!

Tuesday, November 13 at 7:15 In the Library (after SPA meeting)

"Calling all Superheroes"

Friday, April 5, 2019 at White's of Westport

All are welcome to help plan for our Superhero themed Auction 2019!

This event involves the entire Spartan Family. There are many ways to help - and to have some fun. Some opportunities are during the day, others in the evening, some are in a group, some are on your own. There are jobs that involve creativity, organizational skills, or communications. There is a way to help for anyone who is interested!

If you plan to help but can't attend, email advancement@bishopstang.org.

In the meantime, SAVE THE DATE, and SPREAD THE WORD about the 2019 Bishop Stang Auction!



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Stang Parent Association

November 13th

The next meeting of the Stang Parent Association is on Tuesday, November 13th at 6:30 pm in the library.

Late Bus Schedule

Ends for Fall Tues Nov 20th

The last late bus for the fall season will run on Tuesday, November 21st. The late bus will resume service for the first day of spring sports on Monday, March 25th. The late bus does not run during the winter.



Bishop Stang Theatre Company to present A Christmas Carol

On Stage November 9th - 10th

The Bishop Stang Theatre Company will present everyone's Christmas favorite, A Christmas Carol, adapted for the stage by Patrick Barlow. Nineteenth-century London comes to life and recaptures for audiences the spirit of an old-fashioned Christmas with this timeless Dickens classic and all the favorite characters—Tiny Tim and the Cratchit family, the Fezziwigs, the Ghosts of Christmas past, present and yet-to-come—and everyone's favorite curmudgeon, Ebenezer Scrooge.

Charles Dickens wrote A Christmas Carol originally in 1843 and stands as one of the most beloved and well-known Christmas stories today. It is the story of wealthy miser Ebenezer Scrooge, who is visited by a series of ghosts on Christmas Eve that take him through the past, present, and potential future of his life. By the end, Scrooge's view of the world, his community, and himself is left profoundly and permanently changed.

A Christmas Carol has had countless adaptations for virtually every medium, including stage, television, film, opera, and radio. Patrick Barlow's adaptation is perhaps the most accessible version of the Charles Dickens classic. Part of the reason is that playwright Patrick Barlow injects a lot of humor into the piece. This comedy takes place because Barlow is able to mine the humor which can be found in the language, the situation and, of course, at times, the mood of the play. In the end the play does capture the sincerity and joy of Scrooge's redemption. It is an adaptation which works extremely well.

The Bishop Stang Theatre Company's production brings together a talented cast including: Arianna Barboza, Phoenix Carreiro, Emma Chause, Gia Chessa, Emily Defreitas, David Habboosh, Neda Habboosh, Caleb Hughes, Philip Marcalo, Xavier Markey, Chicka Okafor, Allison Pereira, Lily Saulnier, Myra Wong, along with nine area children, featuring Luca Westgate as Tiny Tim

The curtain goes up on Friday, November 9 and Saturday, November 10 at 7:00 pm on the stage at Bishop Stang High School, 500 Slocum Rd., North Dartmouth. General admission tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$7.00 for students and seniors. Call the school at (508) 996-5602 for more information.

Freshman Retreat

Saturday, November 17th

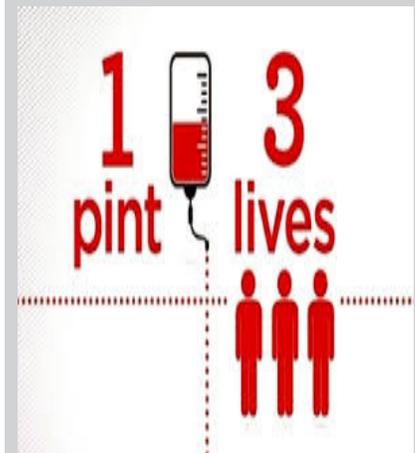
The annual freshman class retreat will be held on Saturday, November 17th from 12:00 pm until 10:00 pm. Registration begins at 11:30 am. All parents are welcome to join us for coffee and pastries in the Business Office lobby when they drop off their student. We are expecting 100% participation from the freshman class. Fifty seniors will run the retreat and 25 juniors are assigned as prayer leaders. More than two dozen adult chaperones will also attend. Parents of freshmen are invited to the closing Mass at 9:00 pm at St. Jullie Billiard Church. Should you have any questions, please email Mrs. Tarantelli atarantelli@bishpstang.org. Thank you to everyone involved for making this an unforgettable day.



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NHS Blood Drive *November 14th* *100 Unit Goal for 2018*

The National Honor Society will sponsor a blood drive in the John C. O'Brien Gymnasium on Wednesday, November 14th from 9:00 am –2:00 pm. NHS has set a goal of 100 units collected for the 2018-19 school year. Participation in the program will qualify Bishop Stang to be eligible for American Red Cross scholarships. Parents and faculty are encouraged to participate. You may sign up at any time by logging into the [American Red Cross](#) website and selecting the link "find a drive". Instead of typing in a zip code, please enter code: BISHOPSTANG.





Sharing Our Blessings

Volunteers to roast turkeys...

Bring to school Wednesday Nov 21st

The Student Council at Bishop Stang is sponsoring the annual Thanksgiving Drive to provide Thanksgiving dinner for Catholic Social Services, as well as food baskets for St. Vincent's Home in Fall River. Once again, the need is extreme in the South Coast area. Homeroom reps will collect non-perishable food items and students may purchase tickets for a "non-uniform" day to provide the dollars needed to purchase turkeys and the rest of the fixings.

Student Council members carve the turkeys, peel potatoes, and deliver the meals to CSS. Volunteers are needed to help cook the turkeys at home and bring them to school. Thank you to the Melissa Duarte Foundation and the Feast of the Blessed Sacrament of New Bedford for donating turkeys and to Tremblay's Bus Company for transportation.

Please call Mr. O'Brien at 508-996-5602 ext. 417 if you can help. The Student Council also welcomes donations of non-perishable food and cash. Contributions may be brought to the Business Office or mailed to the Student Council's attention. Thank you for your generosity.

Pro-Life March Registration

Washington, D.C. January 17-19, 2019

Registration for the 2019 Pro-Life March in Washington, D.C. has begun. Parents are encouraged to consider joining us as chaperones. All chaperones must fulfill the CORI process. The number of students who can come will be limited by the number of chaperones available. Interested students and adults may reach Pro-Life Advisors Mrs. Amanda Tarantelli at atarantelli@bishopstang.org or Ms. Marianne Deramo at mderamo@bishopstang.org.

NHS Aids Local Families

Rock-a-thon Food Drive Success!

On behalf of the Shepherd's Food Pantry in Acushnet, Catholic Social Services Food Pantry and St. Anthony's Food Pantry, both of New Bedford, and the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry in Wareham, the members of the National Honor Society would like to thank all who participated in, donated to, or lent rocking chairs for the annual Rock-a-thon Food Drive. With your assistance, 6,247 pounds of food were collected for the needy. Special thanks go to those students who sorted, packed and moved the food, and to the NHS officers who weighed and totaled the items.

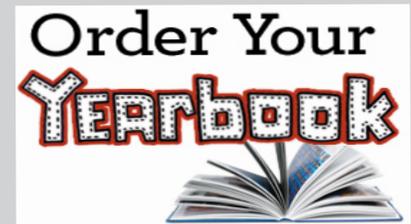


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Yearbook

Baby Photos Due by Dec 1st

Order Your Yearbook Early
The 2019 yearbook is now on sale! Visit <https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/> and enter our school code: 12591919. From Nov. 1st - Jan 1st Books are \$75. If you prefer to pay by cash or check, please have your student see Mrs. Dias. If you would like your student's baby picture included in this year's yearbook, please email it to Mrs. Dias at ndias@bishopstang.org or have your student deliver an extra copy of the photo in an envelope with his/her name and homeroom number written clearly on it to Mrs. Dias in Guidance. The deadline for submission is December 1st.





From the Guidance Department

Host Families Wanted

Each year we are fortunate to welcome international students into our school community. Many Bishop Stang families become host families for these students and provide room and board, a supportive environment, and transportation between school and home. If you would like to learn more about hosting for a year or substitute hosting for vacations, contact Ms. Nora Hebshie at nhebshie@bishopstang.org.

From the Admissions Office

Spartan-For-A-Day Program

Schedule a visit

We encourage 8th grade students to be a Spartan-For-A-Day at Bishop Stang HS with one of our friendly freshman student ambassadors. On your visit day, you'll experience Bishop Stang through the eyes of a student. See how teachers bring their subjects to life, enjoy a free lunch and gain valuable insight into the important decision of where you belong for high school. Visits are scheduled by appointment only and space is limited. Contact the Admissions Office to schedule your visit, 508-996-5602 x435 or jlovegrove@bishopstang.org.

Admission Application is Available Online

Deadline January 4th

The application for the 2019-20 school year is available online Bishop Stang Admission Application. Call us with any questions 508-996-5602 at x424 or x435. Admissions Application Deadline for the first round of decisions is January 4, 2019.

Placement Exam

Offered on December 1 or 8

Students applying for enrollment in next year's freshman class are required to submit scores from a placement exam (HSPT or SSAT). Bishop Stang will offer the Scholastic Testing: High School Placement Test (HSPT) on Saturday, Dec. 1 and Saturday, Dec. 8 from 8:00 am to 11:30 am. Students take this exam only once. Pre-registration is available online but is not required. Walk-ins are always welcome. An exam fee of \$20.00 is payable by cash or check at the time of the exam. [Placement Exam Information](#)

Scholarship Opportunities

Financial Aid- Deadline January 4

The top ten placement exam scorers earn the Fr. Leonard Mullaney Scholarship awarding them \$1000 toward freshman year tuition at Bishop Stang. Students must take the placement exam at BSHS on Dec. 1 or 8, or submit their scores from an exam taken at their respective DFR Catholic Middle School to qualify. All other scholarships are need-based and families must apply for financial aid to be considered. Applications are available at [FACTS Aid and Grant Assessment](#). Financial Aid Application Deadline is January 4, 2019.



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FLIK Dining

Time to Give Thanks

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL CUSTOMERS. THANK YOU FOR BEING KIND AND COURTEOUS. IT DOES NOT GO UNRECOGNIZED.

Please remember to check your lunch balances. If you choose to pay online with My School Bucks, we recommend auto refill when your child falls below \$10. This will ensure your child always has money on their account.

Feel free to contact Jennifer Levine, Chef Manager, with any questions. 508-996-5602 ext 150 or via email: jlevine@bishopstang.org.

Save the Date!
Bishop Stang
Christmas Concert
Thursday,
December 13th
6:30 pm





From The Athletic Department:

Winter Sports Sign-Ups

Sign-up meetings for winter sports were held on Thursday, November 1st, at 2:30 pm. Participation requirements are due one week later, on Thursday, November 8th. All winter athletes must register online through the [FAMILY ID program](#), which is located under "Athletics" of the school website. Each student must also have a valid physical and valid IMPACT Test (concussion baseline) in order to try out and participate.

IMPACT Testing

November 13, 14, 19

All students need a new IMPACT Test every two years under state guidelines. Freshman, junior and transfer students need to take this test. These students can register for the IMPACT Test by contacting our Athletic Trainer, Mike Cordeiro, at mcordeiro@bishopstang.org. We will offer the IMPACT Test on November 13, 14, & 19. We will offer these tests at 4:00 pm on the computers, in the Art Room. Families must make arrangements for their students to take the test during one of those time slots.

Winter Sports Parent Meetings

December 4th

Winter sports meetings will be held on Tuesday, December 4th at 6:00 pm. Parents and guardians of winter athletes are encouraged to attend. Parents will have the opportunity to meet the coaches and review individual team policies and expectations.

Fall Sports Banquets

Details to follow

All fall sports programs will have end of the season banquet or team gathering. The main banquets will be held on Sunday, December 9, at 4:00 pm, at White's of Westport. Some programs, such as Cross Country, choose to have their own banquet at a time and place other than the main banquet. That is fine for each program to do. Coaches will contact families if this is the case for that program.

Returning Fall Sports Equipment and Uniforms

Turn-In Due at the End of Season

Students are responsible for returning their equipment and their uniforms to their coaches at the end of each season. If a student fails to do so, then that student's family will be charged for the missing items.

Posted online

Check our web page, www.bishopstang.org for team schedules, email notifications, results and facility locations to away games. Follow the link to athletics, then schedules. Parents can communicate with coaches via email addresses found in the coaches directory on the athletics page. For updates on Twitter follow [Stang Athletics @BishopStangAD](#).



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Stang Online Keeps You Informed

Remember to visit the Stang website at www.bishopstang.org to get information and updates throughout the school year. You'll also find links to our sites on [Facebook](#) as well as [Flickr](#), [Twitter](#), [Vimeo](#) and [Instagram](#).